Procurement of wheat

*118. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has procured wheat from the farmers/markets during the current rabi season for distribution under PDS;

(b) if so, the total quantum of wheat procured and at what cost;

(c) whether the policy of Government to supply wheat to State Governments under PDS has been modified; and

(d) if so, to what extent Government ensures that the wheat supplied to State Governments under PDS is properly utilized?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. 226.82 lakh tonnes of wheat has been procured by FCI and State agencies in Rabi Marketing Season 2008-09 for the Central Pool at Minimum Support Price of Rs. 1000 per quintal.

(c) No, Sir. However, keeping in view lower stock of wheat and rice in the Central Pool, from 2006-07, the allocation of wheat and rice under TPDS for APL families has been rationalized in June, 2006 and April, 2007 respectively.

(d) The States/UTs have the operational responsibility of lifting the allocated quantities of foodgrains from the designated depots of the FCI and distribute the same amongst the eligible families/ration card holders of the BPL, APL and AAY categories through their network of Fair Price Shops. As per the provisions of PDS (Control) Order 2001, all the State/UT Governments are required to submit month-wise Utilization Certificates (UCs) to the Department of Food and Public Distribution for the foodgrains allocated to them within 60 days of the allocation month.

Utilization of non-productive animals

†*119. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:
SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of milching and non-productive animals;

(b) whether any survey has been conducted to use these non-productive animals for carrying load alongwith the State-wise percentage thereof;

(c) whether Government encourages the efforts to generate income by producing the manure, medicines, pesticides by using the excreta of non-milching animals;

(d) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and

(e) whether such per animal average income is being considered sufficient for subsistence of their remaining period of life?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) The state-wise details of milch animals is given in Statement-I (*See* below). Information about non-productive animals is not being maintained.

(b) No such survey has been conducted to use the non-productive animals for carrying loads.

(c) to (e) Efforts are being made under the National Project on Organic Farming (NPOF) by the Ministry of Agriculture to encourage conversion of animal excreta into manure for improvement in productivity and additional income generation. The State-wise availability of animal excreta as per the last census of 2003-04 for making manure is given in the Statement-II (*See* below). Recommendations have been made in Package of Practices of all the crops to use adequate quantities of animal manures, Farm Yard Manure, etc. produced from animal excreta. The Government of India and the State Governments through various scheme(s) are promoting setting up of Vermiculture hatcheries/compost units in which animal excreta is the main raw material. State-wise details of compost/manures units supported by State Government/Central Government is given in the Statement-III (*See* below). These units are small scale income generation units and help in Supplementing the income to some extent.

Statement-I

State-wise details of milch animals

Sl.No.	State/UT	Milch animals* (000 nos.)
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	7636
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	120
3.	Assam	2395
4.	Bihar	6087
5.	Chhattisgarh	2660
6.	Goa	39
7.	Gujarat	6379
8.	Haryana	3297
9.	Himachal Pradesh	1278
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	1684
11.	Jharkhand	2289
12.	Karnataka	5619
13.	Kerala	961
14.	Madhya Pradesh	9895
15.	Maharashtra	8397

1	2	3
16.	Manipur	123
17.	Meghalaya	234
18.	Mizoram	13
19.	Nagaland	143
20.	Orissa	3980
21.	Punjab	3971
22.	Rajasthan	9705
23.	Sikkim	61
24.	Tamil Nadu	4487
25.	Tripura	246
26.	Uttar Pradesh	15922
27.	Uttaranchal	1376
28.	West Bengal	6029
29.	A & N Islands	26
30.	Chandigarh	19
31.	D & N Haveli	12
32.	Daman & Diu	2
33.	Delhi	193
34.	Lakshadweep	2
35.	Pondicherry	37
	ALL INDIA	105310

* As per results of Livestock Census 2003.

Statement-II

State-wise details of animal excreta available for manure

Sl. No.	Name of the States	Excreta available for manure (lakh tonne)
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	217.0
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	04.5
3.	Assam	87.0

1	2	3
4.	Bihar	165.0
5.	Chhattisgarh	87.0
6.	Goa	8.0
7.	Gujarat	138.4
8.	Haryana	77.0
9.	Himachal Pradesh	34.0
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	40.3
11.	Karnataka	128.0
12.	Kerala	18.0
13.	Madhya Pradesh	234.0
14.	Maharashtra	200.0
15.	Orissa	130.0
16.	Punjab	80.0
17.	Rajasthan	214.0
18.	Tamil Nadu	112.0
19.	Uttar Pradesh	382.0
20.	West Bengal	170.0
21.	Other	150.0
	TOTAL	2556.2

SOURCE: National Centre of Organic Farming, Ghaziabad.

Statement-III

State-wise details of compost/manure units

(Year 2003-04)

Sl.No.	Name of the State	Vermiculture compost/manure unit set up under NPOF *w.e.f.* October 2004-March 2008	Organic manure units set up by different State Govt./Central assistance scheme during 2007-08
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4	1441
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	40	115
3.	Assam	59	1133
4.	Bihar	38	0

1	2	3	4
5.	Chhattisgarh	108	8467
6.	Goa	0	13
7.	Gujarat	57	6768
8.	Haryana	66	0
9.	Himachal Pradesh	15	9
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	25	59
11.	Jharkhand	23	9
12.	Karnataka	42	33
13.	Kerala	0	5200
14.	Madhya Pradesh	76	13414
15.	Maharashtra	23	0
16.	Manipur	20	18
17.	Mizoram	62	0
18.	Nagaland	103	0
19.	Orissa	147	710
20.	Punjab	30	0
21.	Rajasthan	3	45897
22.	Sikkim	8	12786
23.	Tamil Nadu	45	765
24.	Tripura	28	50
25.	Uttar Pradesh	85	59498
26.	Uttarakhand	78	0
27.	West Bengal	6	960
	TOTAL	1191	157345

SOURCE: National Centre of Organic Farming, Ghaziabad.

Deaths due to non-communicable diseases

*120. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a report jointly prepared by World Health Organisation and World Economic Forum has pointed out that the number of people dying from non-communicable diseases is likely to rise to 47 million a year in the next 25 years;